## The Conservation Partners Program is pleased to announce the 2021 Request for Proposals

The Conservation Partners Program is soliciting funding proposals to provide technical assistance to producers on working lands. The program will award approximately \$3.8 million in grants in 2021 to support the adoption of conservation practices or regenerative agriculture principles on working lands. Details about this funding opportunity are provided in the Request for Proposals. The submission deadline for pre-proposals is April 6, 2021. Additional application information is available at www.nfwf.org/conservation-partners-program.

In 2021, grant funding will be awarded in four priority program areas:

- Southern Great Plains
- Working Lands for Wildlife

Eligible applicants include non-profit organizations, farmer and commodity-led organizations, educational institutions, and state, tribal and local governments.

## Conservation Collaboration Agreements (CCA) To Be announced

The purpose of Conservation Collaboration Cooperative Agreements is to leverage NRCS and partner resources to:

- 1. Improve soil health.
- 2. Improve landscape performance in dealing with water quantity issues; either excess or inadequate, and downstream impacts.
- 3. Improve water quality.
- 4. Improve habitat for local wildlife species of concern.
- 5. Improve the environmental and economic performance of working agricultural lands.
- 6. Assist communities and groups to build and strengthen local food projects that provide healthy food and economic opportunities.

Emphasis will be placed on projects that:

- 1. Build technical capacity to implement Farm Bill Conservation Programs.
- 2. Build technical capacity of NRCS and partner field conservation employees.
- 3. Build the capacity of local partners to develop and implement effective projects.
- 4. Leverage non-Federal and non-government resources to achieve positive natural resources conservation outcomes.